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Collector of Malabar has proposed certain schemes to the concerned heads of departments for the development of the area. The proposals will be considered by the Government if and when they are received.

Basic training school in South Kanara with Malayalam as medium

* 3117 *Q*.—Sri M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to establish a basic training school in Kasargode taluk, South Kanara district, with Malayalam as medium of instruction; and

(*b*) if so, when?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Sir, now that it has been accepted by the States Reorganisation Commission and, I suppose, tacitly accepted by the Central Government that Kasargode has an over-all Malayalee majority, would Government see to it that Malayalees are not driven to Mangalore side for basic training but start schools in Kasargode taluk?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : But, Sir, if that proposal goes through, then there will be the Kerala Government to make sufficient provision for those people. Therefore, in view of the impending question and since no final decision has been taken in the matter, the question of the hon. Member does not arise.

Mr. SPEAKER : There is a short notice question given by Sri K. C. Gopalan Unni.

* Short Notice Question 36.—Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the reasons for closing down the Community Training Centre at Parli, Malabar district?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, the Extension Training Centre at Parli which is one of the three Extension Training Centres in this State was started in December 1952, to train Gramasevaks for employment in the Community Development Blocks. The Centre at Parli had to be located in rented buildings, as no Government buildings were available at Parli. There was also no farm facility at Parli for giving effective training to the Gramasevaks in the field of Agriculture. The Deputy Agricultural Extension Commissioner, Government of India, when he visited the Centre at Parli, remarked about the lack of buildings and farm facilities and suggested that the Centre should be shifted to a more suitable place at the earliest opportunity. The Government of India have also been objecting to the continuance of the Centre at Parli in rented buildings. The possibility of shifting the

Centre to Malampuzha was therefore considered, but it had to be given up, as the P.W.D. buildings there were not available for the purpose. It was therefore decided in June 1955 to shift the Centre at Parli from the district to a more suitable place, namely, to Bhavanisagar in Coimbatore district, where Government buildings and farm facilities are available. But in view of the representation of certain M.L.As. of Malabar district against this move, the centre at Parli was temporarily allowed to continue till the conclusion of the sixth batch of training in December 1955. The question of further continuance of the Centre at Parli was again examined in December last. There were not enough Basic Trained Gramasevaks from Malabar who could be sent for Extension Training at Parli in January 1956. The Basic trainees from Malabar now undergoing training at the Basic Agricultural Training School at Taliparamba will become available for extension training only in July 1956. There was therefore no need to continue the centre at Parli for the present and the Centre was therefore ordered to be closed down from January 1956. Thus, the following considerations weighed with the Government for closing down the Extension Training Centre at Parli in January 1956 :—

(i) Lack of Government buildings to locate the Centre;

(ii) Lack of additional facilities for expanding the Centre;

(iii) Lack of farm facilities to give practical demonstration to trainees;

(iv) Objections of the Government of India to continue the Centre at Parli in rented buildings, and their suggestion to shift it to a more suitable place;

(v) Non-availability of Basic trained candidates from Malabar in January 1956.

However, the question of opening an Extension Training Centre in a suitable place in Malabar district, where all facilities will be available, with reference to the trainees that will become available in July 1956, and the requirements of the Second Five-Year Plan are being pursued separately with the Government of India. There are at present 60 Basic trainees undergoing training at the Basic Agricultural School, Taliparamba. It may be possible to open an Extension Training Centre there, if additional buildings are constructed. The possibility of locating an Extension Training Centre, either at Taliparamba or at any other suitable place in Malabar district, will be examined by the Government.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Sir, are Government aware that there are places like Kozhikode, Tellicherry, Cannanore, where Government can get suitable accommodation for the students? There are also more dwelling houses. May I know whether the Government have made enquiries whether rented buildings will be

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available? If the Hon. Minister is convinced that Government can get rented buildings in other towns in Malabar, will the Government try to retain the Centre at Parli?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, the main point about this decision is that there are no trainees to be trained in the Parli Centre. Trainees from Malabar will be available in July 1956 and as I have said already, we will consider which would be the best place to start the Centre again.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: In view of the feelings that have been aroused by the closure of this centre and the unsatisfactory reply given by the Minister, I request the Hon. Speaker to allow a half-hour debate on this issue. 10-20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I am unable to understand, appreciate, or sympathise with, the feelings of people who want the continuance of a centre which had no work. Perhaps the hon. Member has got sympathy with the owner of the building who would be losing rent because of the closure of this centre.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: The Hon. Minister can insinuate as he likes. But I know the feelings of the people of the area more than he. We feel that the Government have created a situation leading to the closure of this centre. In view of the feelings that have been aroused by the closure, I reiterate my request for allowing a half-hour debate.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Though it is within the discretion of the Chair to grant or refuse the request, I may submit that I have made a very exhaustive statement explaining the reasons behind the Government's decision and that I will not be able to add anything useful to what I have already said.

MR. SPEAKER: In view of the statement made by the Hon. Minister and in view of the fact that to-day we have no time for a half-hour debate, I am unable to concede the request.

Madras-Andhra border disputes

MR. SPEAKER: The next question is a short notice question by Sri K. Vinayakam regarding border issues. This has been fully answered in the replies to the large number of supplementary questions on question No. 3096. In view of this fact, does the Member propose to put the question?

SRI K. VINAYAKAM: I have only one supplementary question and if that is answered, there will be an end of it. Now that the Madras Government are of opinion that they can solve the border disputes by negotiation or mutual talk with the Andhra Government, will they at least write to the Andhra Government to come to Madras for talks as early as possible? If the matter is left to the Andhra Government, they will take their own time.